

# Tamworth, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Tuesday to Friday, 9-12 and 1-4; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9-12 and 1-4, Thursday, 9-12 and 1-6; closed Mondays

County  
Labor Market Area  
Tourism Region  
Planning Commission  
Regional Development

Carroll  
Conway, NH-ME LMA, NH part  
Lakes  
Lakes Region  
Mount Washington Valley Economic Council

Election Districts  
US Congress  
Executive Council  
State Senate  
State Representative

District 1  
District 1  
District 3  
Carroll County District 3

**Incorporated:** 1766

**Origin:** This town was granted in 1766 to John Webster and others, and named in honor of Admiral Washington Shirley, Viscount Tamworth, a close friend of Governor Benning Wentworth. There was considerable controversy regarding the boundaries of the town. A legislative committee was appointed in 1796 to fix the line between Tamworth and Burton (Albany), and between Tamworth and Eaton (Madison was not a separate town at that time.) Though the decision was to be final, another committee was appointed in 1808 to further fix town lines between Tamworth, Eaton, Sandwich, and Burton.

**Villages and Place Names:** Chocorua, South Tamworth, Wonalancet

**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 266 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Tamworth totaled 1,770 over 50 years, from 1,054 in 1970 to 2,824 in 2020. The largest decennial percent change was a 59 percent increase from 1970 to 1980. The town's population decreased by one percent from 2010 to 2020. The 2022 Census estimate for Tamworth was 2,897 residents, which ranked 113th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2022 (US Census Bureau):** 48.4 persons per square mile of land area. Tamworth contains 59.8 square miles of land area and 0.8 square miles of inland water area.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2021		\$5,493,784	
Budget: School Appropriations, 2020-2021		\$7,476,667	
Zoning Ordinance		No Ordinance	
Master Plan		2008	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Library; Trust Funds; Checklist; Cemetery; Fireward		
Appointed:	Conservation; Energy, LURC; Economic Dev; ZBA; CIP		
Public Library	Chocorua Public; Cook Memorial		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		Full-time Chief & part-time	
Emergency Medical Service		Private	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Memorial Hospital, North Conway		20 miles	25
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier		Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop	
Natural Gas Supplier		None	
Water Supplier		LR Water Company; Private wells	
Sanitation		Tamworth Village Assoc. & private septic	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant		No	
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup		None	
Pay-As-You-Throw Program		No	
Recycling Program		Voluntary	
Telephone Company		Consolidated Communications	
Cellular Telephone Access		Yes	
Cable Television Access		Limited	
Public Access Television Station		No	
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Limited	
	Residential	Limited	
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2022 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$23.77	
2022 Equalization Ratio		60.9	
2022 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$14.39	
2022 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		82.2%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		14.9%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		2.9%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Total Housing Units		1,592	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		1,325	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		10	
Five or More Units in Structure		139	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		118	

POPULATION (1-YEAR ESTIMATES/DECENNIAL)		(US Census Bureau)	
Total Population		Community	County
2022	2,897		52,199
2020	2,812		50,107
2010	2,856		47,818
2000	2,515		43,918
1990	2,172		35,526
1980	1,672		27,929
DEMOGRAPHICS		AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS) 2017-2021	
Population by Gender			
Male	1,391	Female	1,443
Population by Age Group			
Under age 5		56	
Age 5 to 19		700	
Age 20 to 34		421	
Age 35 to 54		643	
Age 55 to 64		468	
Age 65 and over		546	
Median Age		40.9 years	
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over:		1,959	
High school graduate or higher		90.5%	
Bachelor's degree or higher		32.9%	
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		(ACS 2017-2021)	
Per capita income		\$27,687	
Median family income		\$70,021	
Median household income		\$56,700	
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male		\$61,597	
Female		\$35,284	
Individuals below the poverty level		6.4%	
LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average		2012	2022
Civilian labor force		1,515	1,475
Employed		1,430	1,436
Unemployed		85	39
Unemployment rate		5.6%	2.6%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)	
Annual Average Covered Employment		2012	2022
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment		96	138
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 703	\$1,007
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment		386	344
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 502	\$ 881
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment		482	482
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 542	\$ 917
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment		119	153
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 681	\$1,013
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment		601	636
Average Weekly Wage		\$ 570	\$ 940
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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

Schools students attend: **Tamworth operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Conway**  
 Career Technology Center(s): **Mount Washington Valley CTC (Conway)**

District: **SAU 13**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>
Grade Levels	<b>K 1-8</b>			<b>6-12</b>
Total Enrollment	<b>184</b>			

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Plymouth State**

2022 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **3** Total Capacity: **137**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Kenneth A. Brett School	Education (K-8)	47	
Steam electrical generation	Renewable Power		
Eversource	Electric services		

## Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

**TRANSPORTATION** (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	<b>16, 25, 113, 113A</b>
Nearest Interstate, Exit		<b>I-93, Exit 24</b>
	Distance	<b>29 miles</b>
Railroad		<b>No</b>
Public Transportation		<b>No</b>
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
<b>Moultonborough Airport</b>	Runway	<b>3,475 ft. asphalt</b>
Lighted? <b>Yes</b>	Navigation Aids?	<b>No</b>
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
<b>Portland (ME) International</b>	Distance	<b>61 miles</b>
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		<b>8</b>
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		<b>79 miles</b>
Portland, Maine		<b>64 miles</b>
Boston, Mass.		<b>119 miles</b>
New York City, NY		<b>327 miles</b>
Montreal, Quebec		<b>242 miles</b>

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2017-2021*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	<b>83.7%</b>
Carpooled, car/truck/van	<b>13.2%</b>
Public transportation	<b>0.0%</b>
Walked	<b>0.7%</b>
Other means	<b>0.0%</b>
Worked at home	<b>2.4%</b>
Mean Travel Time to Work	<b>23.6 minutes</b>
Percent of Working Residents	
Working in community of residence	<b>25.5%</b>
Commuting to another NH community	<b>73.4%</b>
Commuting out-of-state	<b>1.1%</b>

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

<b>X</b>	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
<b>X</b>	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
<b>X</b>	Museums
	Cinemas
<b>X</b>	Performing Arts Facilities
<b>X</b>	Tourist Attractions
<b>X</b>	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Baseball
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
<b>X</b>	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
<b>X</b>	Campgrounds
<b>X</b>	Fishing/Hunting
<b>X</b>	Boating/Marinas
<b>X</b>	Snowmobile Trails
<b>X</b>	Bicycle Trails
<b>X</b>	Cross Country Skiing
<b>X</b>	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
<b>X</b>	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **King Pine**

Other: **Barnstormers Summer Theatre; White Lake State Park; Remick Country Doctor Museum and Farm; The Other Bakery; Tamworth Distillery**